

Lib. L. L. Royall Proclamation. All which Illegall Wicked and Tray-
No. 64. terous Actions give great Warning to his Excellency the Governour and this Generall Assembly to Endeavour what in them lyeth to prevent any such Wicked Enterprizes of the said Richard Clarke, and to provide for the Security and Defence of the Country against the s^d Richard Clarke and his accomplices:

Wherefore and in Reguard that all means prove Ineffectuall to Enforce the said Clarke to take a fair Tryall. Be it Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majestys Governour Councill and Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same that the said Richard Clarke be and is hereby Convicted and attained of high Treason, and shall suffer the Pains of Death, and incurr all forfeitures as a person attain'd of High Treson:

Aprill the 9th 1707:

p. 275 Read and Assented to by the house of Delegates.
Signed p order W Taylard Cl h D.

Aprill the 10th 1707.

Read and Assented to by her Majesty's Hon'ble Councill.
Signed p order
W Bladen Cl Council.

Aprill the 15th 1707. On the behalf her Majesty Queen Anne of England &c.

I will this be a law

Jo: Seymour

An Act to prevent the abuse of breaking open and Concealing Publick & Private Letters.

Whereas the Trade and Commerce of this Province is in Great measure Confined to the Kingdom of England and the Inhabitants of this Province of Necessity are obliged to Lodge their Effects and wholly Correspond with the merchants in England by which means whe have great dependance upon their advice in Trade and often protested bills of Exch^a are remitted hither to the severall Psons interested therein w^{ch} are sometimes of Considerable Value and for want of due Care of such Letters in which the same are inclosed no settled post houses being apointed for the reception of them many Times sundry Evill minded Psons finde occasion Clandestinely to take such Letters out of the publick houses (where they are Generally Left) and break open and Conseall the same to the